

"Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come." Mark 1:40-45

February 7th, 2021 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

An Ever-growing Eucharistic Community Boldly Serving Others Through Gods Love

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Saturdays: 9:15 am - 10:15 am

Daily Mass: 8:30 am Monday - Friday

Weekend Mass Schedule (registration required)

Saturday: 8:00 pm Sunday: 8:00 am

Sunday: 10:30 am

Sunday Mass can be viewed on our website: rescathroch.org

Office Hours Mon-Fri 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

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Weekly Words from The Rock

Last week I provided some basic questions on the nativity scene. Here are the answers:

Question 1: What animal did Mary ride to get to Bethlehem? A. Donkey B. Horse C. Camel Answer: A. Donkey.

There is debate that perhaps Mary walked to Bethlehem still if she rode an animal it would have been a donkey.

Question 2: What type of transportation did Joseph use to get to Bethlehem? A. Camel B. Horse C. He walked. Answer: C. He walked.

To afford two donkeys for the journey would have been an expensive proposition. If they had one donkey, Joseph, with his wife pregnant, would have walked.

Question 3: What form of transportation did the wise men use to cross the desert? A. They walked B. Horse C. Camel. Answer: C. Camel

Question 4: What did the wise men follow as they crossed the desert? A. Moon B. A star C. Sun Answer: B. A star

Question 5: What do we call the building where Jesus was born? A. Manger B. Stable C. House
Answer: B. Stable

Question 6: When he was born, Jesus was laid in a A. Bed B. Manger C. Baby Crib.

Answer: B. Manger

Question 7: Who were the first to lay eyes on the baby Jesus? A. Shepherds B. Wise Men C. Herod Answer: A. Shepherds

Question 8: What type of animals did shepherds take care of? A. Sheep B. Donkeys C. Camels D. Horses. Answer: A. Sheep

Question 9: Who announced to the shepherds that Jesus was born? A. Wise Men B. Joseph C. Angel Answer: C. Angel

Question 10: What was the occupation of Joseph that he would teach Jesus? A. Blacksmith B. Carpenter C. Tentmaker. Answer: B. Carpenter

Question: As I was praying in the Adoration Chapel one day, I noticed a sign associated with the First Station. On the sign are four letters, SPQR. What do the letters designate/mean? I will give the answer next week.

Vaccines: As vaccines are being offered in the combat against Covid-19, people are beginning to wonder about the Church's stance on the various vaccines. Here is a joint statement from the United States Council of Catholic Bishop's Committees on Pro-Life Activities and Doctrine:

Generally speaking, receiving a vaccine is morally acceptable and can be "an act of love of our neighbor and part of our moral responsibility for the common good." Of the three available vaccines, Moderna and Pfizer have produced vaccines that were produced in an acceptable manner to Catholics. The vaccine from AstraZeneca was not, and should be avoided when other vaccines are available.

Catholics continue support for a vaccine that has absolutely no connection to aborted fetal cell lines. The Moderna and Pfizer vaccines do have a connection to cell lines from an aborted fetus, but those connections come through confirmatory tests, not the production of the vaccine. This connection "is very remote from the initial evil of the abortion," and in the absence of other vaccines with no connection, and in the face of a dangerous pandemic, these vaccines are morally acceptable to Catholics.

One other note on vaccines: In addition to this document, there is talk from various sectors considering mandating vaccines for different groups of people. The Diocese of Winona-Rochester Task Force is not recommending any mandate for any group of people at this time. When vaccines become available, people are able to freely choose whether they will receive that vaccine, keeping in mind the guidance offered from the United States Council of Catholic Bishops.

Until next week! Father Peter Schuster

Parish News

Operation Hometown Gratitude



This program enables us to show support for our local deployed troops. We will again need your help to create a family experience to fill a box, donate supplies, money, write letters and pray.

Look for the table in the Gathering Space for more information. If you have a family member or friend in the military and would like a box sent, please submit their APO address to the church office.

Monetary donations can be put in the drop off slot by the office window any time. *Do not* drop off any supplies or boxes until the weekend of Feb. 20th/21st due to lack of storage space at church.



Resurrection's Ca\$h Calendar

Thank you to everyone who considered and purchased a ticket or two. We appreciate your support of this new venture and hope that it is successful for both the parish and you.

The MN State Gambling Board requires that all 800 tickets be accounted for - paperwork. If you received any tickets in the mail you did not purchase, please return to the church office.



Grief Note from Resurrection Grief Support Ministry: Grieving with Great Hope

is a Catholic DVD series for all those grieving the loss of a loved one.

This series is now available on FORMED.org. Please contact the church office for your access code if you have not already done so. Also, Grieving with Great Hope booklets that accompany the DVD series are available at no charge to you and may be picked up at the office for those who would like one. The following link will explain the series further & direct you to FORMED.org https://watch.formed.org/grieving-with-great-hope



Update on the Stations of the Cross

We have made our decision for the purchase of a new set of Stations of the Cross.

The cost is about \$35,000. Our Endowment fund will contribute \$10,000. We have collected a little over \$17,000, so we need to collect the balance of about \$8,000 before we can place the order.

Thank you for your prayers and financial support towards our new Stations of the Cross.



February 17 | Ash Wednesday Services

*Reservations for Mass and Word Service required. Reservation sign up is on our website rescathroch.org.

Mass 9am*

Liturgy of the Word Service with Holy Communion 12:10pm* Mass 7pm*

Sign up ends Sunday, February 14th.

We are offering extra opportunities without reservations to receive Ashes and Holy Communion in the Gathering Space during the following times: 2:00-2:30pm and 4:00-4:30pm;

We are offering the Sacrament of Reconciliation during these afternoon times in the church.

Reservation sign ups for the Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Services will open on Sunday, Feb. 21st and close Friday March 19th. Reservation sign up is on our website rescathroch.org.

Liturgical Ministries for Feb 13th/14th

If unable to fulfill your ministry as scheduled, please find a substitute. Thank you. We need church cleaners, greeters, ushers, sacristans and help at the table to check in parishioners. If interested please call the office 288 5528 or email Michelle at michellep@rescathroch.org.

Lectors

8:00 pm Therese Schoenfelder 8:00 am Richard Miller 10:30 am Allen Aksamit

Greeters

8:00 pm Tara Engel, NOT FILLED 8:00 am Joanne Huegel, Tom Lund 10:30 am Fran Filzen, Shelley Filzen

Sacristans

8:00 pm Judith Pelowski 8:00 am Tracy & Donna Smith 10:30 am Bob Voss

Ushers

8:00 pm John Schoenfelder, Lee Witter 8:00 am Kenneth Mueller 10:30 am Elaina Robertson, Gordon Robertson

Check in Minister

8:00 pm Anne and Mia Cuccio 8:00 am Dianne Plager 10:30 am Brody Tyrrell

Walk in Ministers

8:00 pm Doreen Johnson, Cheryl Kieffer 8:00 am Jen Good, Mike Good 10:30 am Jackie Tyrrell, NOT FILLED

Eucharistic Ministers

8:00 pm Mary Meine, LG, Patricia Max, (1), (If no Deacon), Connie Curtiss, (2)

8:00 am Char Robinet, LG, Carrie Carroll, (1), (If no Deacon), Christiane Lund, (2)

10:30 am Anthony Vareberg, LG, Daniel J McCormick, (1), (If no Deacon), Regina Boehmke, (2)



Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel 24 hours/7 days a week

"Sitting before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, a new life begins. Another birth takes place; eternal life within us. We do not see Jesus with our eyes, but rather in the transformation of our lives, where Jesus loves to be and desires that we experience love." Mother Elvira Petrozzi

Open Hours

Tue	Wed	Fri	Sat
12 am	6 pm	10 pm	5 pm
11 pm			11 pm

By choosing an open hour from the graph above, you commit to that one hour a week of adoring Jesus in the Chapel at Resurrection. Seating will be limited and masks required. To sign up or for more information, call the church office at 507-288-5528.

ROCHESTER ROSARY RALLIES

Right now our country needs fervent and confident prayer offered for the truthful, just, and peaceful resolution to our recent elections, continued conversion, and peace. Please join us on the Sundays (Sundays, February 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th) for the continuation of the Rochester Rosary Rallies, this time praying the Patriotic Rosary. These rallies will all be held near the Rochester Government Center at the corner of 4th St. SE and 3rd Ave. SE at 3pm, the Divine Mercy Hour. We encourage all to step out in faith and courage to publicly pray for our state and country. Bring your families and friends. If you are ever unable to join us physically, please consider joining us spiritually by praying a Holy Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet. May our united prayers through Mary find the heart of Jesus. Questions: Contact Mary Amiot at mamiot@hotmail. com or 507-287-6481 OR Janela Hubka at daveandjanela@gmail.com or 507-282-6090.

Weekly Calendar with Readings

The dispensation from the obligation of Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation remains in effect until further notice.

Monday **8** February

Mass Registration for Feb 13th/14th rescathroch.org to sign up Gn 1:1-19/Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10 and 12, 24 and 35c [31b]/Mk 6:53-56

- Daily Mass 8:30 am
- Office Hours 9:15 am 5:00 pm
- Faith Formation Gr 1-5, Lent Learning Centers 4:00 7:00 pm

Tuesday 9 February

Gn 1:20-2:4a/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [2ab]/Mk 7:1-13

- Daily Mass 8:30 am; Office hours: 9:15 am 5:00 pm
- Society of St. Vincent de Paul Meeting 7:00 pm
- Liturgy Committee Meeting 7:00 pm
- Stewardship Committee Meeting 7:00 pm

Wednesday 10 February

Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30 [1a]/Mk 7:14-23

- Daily Mass 8:30 am
- Office hours: 9:15 am 5:00 pm
- Faith Formation Gr 6-10 6:00 pm

Thursday 11 February

Mass Registration closes at 10:00 am for Feb 13th/14th Gn 2:18-25/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1a]/Mk 7:24-30

- Mass 8:30 am
- Office Hours 9:15 5:00 pm
- Marketing and Communication Meeting 5:00 pm
- Choir Rehearsal 6:30 pm

Friday 12 February

Gn 3:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 [1a]/Mk 7:31-37

- Daily Mass 8:30 am
- Office Hours 9:15 am 5:00 pm

13 February

Gn 3:9-24/Ps 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13 [1]/Mk 8:1-10

- Sacrament of Reconciliation 9:15 am 10:15 am
- Mass 8:00 pm

Sunday 14 February

Mass Registration for Feb 20th/21st rescathroch.org to sign up. Sign Up for Ash Wednesday Mass and service ends Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 [7]/1 Cor 10:31—11:1/Mk 1:40-45

- Mass 8:00 am
- Mass 10:30 am



Michelle's

Music & Choral Director & Coordinator of Liturgy choirdirector@rescathroch.org

One thing I love about my dad is his ability to have lots of confidence when he doesn't know much about what's he talking about. When I was young, he decided to make coffee cake for the first time. He woke us kids up early to show off his mad skills and lectured us on the proper way to flip all cakes in Bundt pans onto long-necked bottles. Us hungry kids marveled as my ever-growing cocky, commentary-loving father pulled the cake out of the oven. He paused, making sure we were watching his impressive skills with rapt attention, and flipped the pan over.

As you might have guessed, the cake fell apart into a million pieces on the floor. It was only then that my dad consulted the cookbooks and discovered that his trick was only for angel food cake. On a positive note, his Coffee Crumble Cake was delicious!

It is important to be confident in our faith. There is no denying that. However, we must also remember to continually work at our faith, too. COVID has changed many things, including the opportunity for many of us to come to church and worship.

But there are so many ways you can grow in your faith right here and now, from online prayer groups to reading a chapter of the bible a day. And if you don't know what to do, go online and explore the oodles of podcasts and videos out there, or better yet, call us or a fellow parishioner.

We can share lots of resources with you. Let's not allow our faith to become stagnant and wind up on the floor. Instead, let's use this time as an opportunity to grow in our relationship with God.

God Bless, Michelle Perrier

Song of the Week: Restless by Audrey Asaud

Mass Intentions

Mon	Feb 8	8:30 am	K and E Plier	
Tues	Feb 9	8:30 am	†Katie Lynn Kinglsey	
Wed	Feb 10	8:30 am	†Doris Curley	
Thu	Feb 11	8:30 am	†Rae Ann Vigen	
Fri	Feb 12	8:30 am	†Sharon Heppelmann	
Sat	Feb 13	8:00 pm	For the Parish	
Sun	Feb 14	8:00 am	†Nathan Holtegaard	
Sun	Feb 14	10:30 am	†Roger Bibeault	

St. Francis School News

This is National School Counselor's Week. Thanks to Ms. Roth and Mrs. Alcala Saner for all they do for us!

The weekly Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday at 9:15 am. We pray for the parishioners and all those who are unable to join us for Mass.

Enrollment for the 2021-2022 School Year is underway! Please visit www.rcsmn.org for more information.

There is No School on Monday, February 15th in observance of Presidents' Day.

Community News



What does it mean to truly live your Catholic Faith as a man in every area of life? Virtual Catholic Conference is hosting an incredible and FREE

online event for Catholic men across the nation to gather as one, pray, and grow together.

Teaming up with MC, Chris Stefanick, and more than 30 Catholic presenters, we are going to be exploring what it means to live as a courageous Catholic man amidst the challenges of our current world. Register at https://go.virtualcatholicconference.com/NCMC2021. This is a free event.

This conference will help you: Learn practical and immediately applicable steps for becoming a strong and faith-filled Catholic man; Discover more deeply the joy of being Catholic men; Gain a clearer vision of God's unique plan for your life. And more!

Faith Formation



News from Stacey, Grades 1-5, Family Ministry, dre1to5fm@rescathroch.org.

Grades 1-5: This week, parents and children will participate in the "Pray, Fast, Give, Rejoice" learning centers and discover how we prepare and experience Lent and Easter. The learning centers will be set up in Fr. Zenk Hall and the classrooms on Monday, February 8th 4:00-7:00pm. Centers are self-paced and take about an hour to complete.



First Communion: Families will be doing chapter 3 and 4 in your Eucharist workbook. First Communion parent and children learning centers are on Monday, March 1st; centers are open 4:00-7:00pm in Fr. Zenk Hall.



The Year of St. Joseph: In a new Apostolic Letter entitled Patris corde ("With a Father's Heart"), Pope Francis describes St. Joseph as a beloved father, a tender and loving father, an obedient father, an accepting father, a father who is creatively courageous, a working father, and a father in the shadows.

The Letter marks the 150th anniversary of Blessed Pope Pius IX's declaration of St. Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. To celebrate this anniversary, Pope Francis has proclaimed a special "Year of St. Joseph," beginning on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception 2020 and extending to the same feast in 2021. We have an entire year to learn about and honor the Just Man who was the foster father of Jesus, son of God.

In the upcoming weeks, let's open our hearts to St. Joseph.



News from Sheila, Birth-KG, Grs 6-12, Children & Youth Ministry, dresscm@rescathroch.org

On Saturday, January 30th, our Year Two Confirmation Candidates celebrated the Rite of Commitment. You may have noticed some new faces serving in parish ministries.

Jake DiNicola and family greeted, Amelia Gossman lectured, and Ava Robertson and Felix Pelowski were part of the music ministry. We were blessed to have 16 candidates with us in-person and 1 joined us via live-stream. The candidates gathered beginning at 1pm for a

day-long retreat leading into Mass. They returned Sunday evening to complete their retreat experience. Dr. Georges Montillet, Ann Robertson, Todd Smith, and Sheila Pelowski all shared their gifts of faith with the Candidates. Leading them into a deeper relationship with the Holy Spirit and fostering a foundational understanding of the Gifts and Fruits of the Holy Spirit through activities, teachings, scripture, and prayer. Please keep the Candidates in your continued prayers.

